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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant for the above-identified application hereby submits legible copies of the following relevant arts along with the Form PTO-1449 which contains the information required by 37 CFR 1.98(b):

- A. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 10-225455 published by the Japanese Patent Office on August 25, 1988;
- B. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 08-215182 published by the Japanese Patent Office on August 27, 1996;
- C. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 2002-085400 published by the Japanese Patent Office on March 26, 2002;
- D. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 07-136158 published by the Japanese Patent Office on May 30, 1995; and
- E. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 2000-139902 published by the Japanese Patent Office on May 23, 2000.

The prior arts A through E are cited in the International Search Report issued on July 14, 2003, to the International Application No. PCT/JP03/04593 upon which the above-identified U.S. application was filed. Although the International Search Report was already filed on October 8, 2004, we are now filing a copy of this International Search Report.

The above-listed prior arts A through E are not in the English language, but the Search Report is written in English and the degree of relevance is indicated therein by way of the markings of A's and Y's along with the explanation of such markings. Accordingly, pursuant to MPEP Section 609, the requirement for a concise explanation of relevance pursuant to 37 CFR 1.198(a)(3) for each of these non-English language prior arts is satisfied and an English concise explanation thereof is omitted herein. Nonetheless, English abstracts of the prior arts A through E are attached to the copies of these prior arts.

It is, therefore, respectfully requested that the Patent Office make a record of these relevant arts and consider them during the prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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	JP 7-136158	5/30/1995	Japan	A61B	6/14	No
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